



# Facts about Fogging for Mosquitoes

Licensed and trained staff of the Franklin County Board of Health will be applying Anvil 2+2, a mist spray (fog) specifically for mosquito control. The fog is approved for use in outdoor residential and recreational areas. The fog will be applied with strict compliance to State and Federal EPA and Department of Agriculture regulations. Spraying will occur in the evening and overnight hours when people are least likely to be outdoors. If you or a family member have asthma, a respiratory condition, or are pregnant and are concerned, you can consider the following precautionary measures:

- Stay indoors and close windows. If you have a window air conditioner set on air exchange (bringing in air from the outside) turn it off during and after spraying;
- Bring all toys, pet dishes, laundry, and other portable objects inside;
- Cover outdoor furniture, barbecue grills, vegetable gardens, sandboxes, and play equipment;
- Wash all surfaces that cannot be covered and toys and equipment left outside with soap and water before use, especially by children;
- If you have any questions about pesticides and health, or questions about your own health, please call your doctor.

If you do not want spraying to occur within 150-feet of your home, call the Franklin County Board of Health Mosquito Control Program Coordinator at 462-7482, leave your name, address and phone number, and request to be added to the "Do Not Spray List". Every effort will be made to accommodate your request.

A few ways that you can help to control the mosquito population and have a more enjoyable and safe summer season are to get rid of old tires, tin cans, bottles, jars, buckets, and any other containers which may hold water. You should also check the gutters on your home to make sure that they are clean and working properly. Anywhere that water collects is a potential breeding ground for mosquitoes.

Fogging is only used to reduce high mosquito numbers and to prevent the spread of West Nile Virus. Staff will determine spray locations based on trap data. Fogging routes will be posted on the website. If you have questions about the mosquito control program, call the Franklin County Board of Health Mosquito Hotline at 462-BITE (2483) or visit [www.co.franklin.oh.us/board\\_of\\_health](http://www.co.franklin.oh.us/board_of_health).

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